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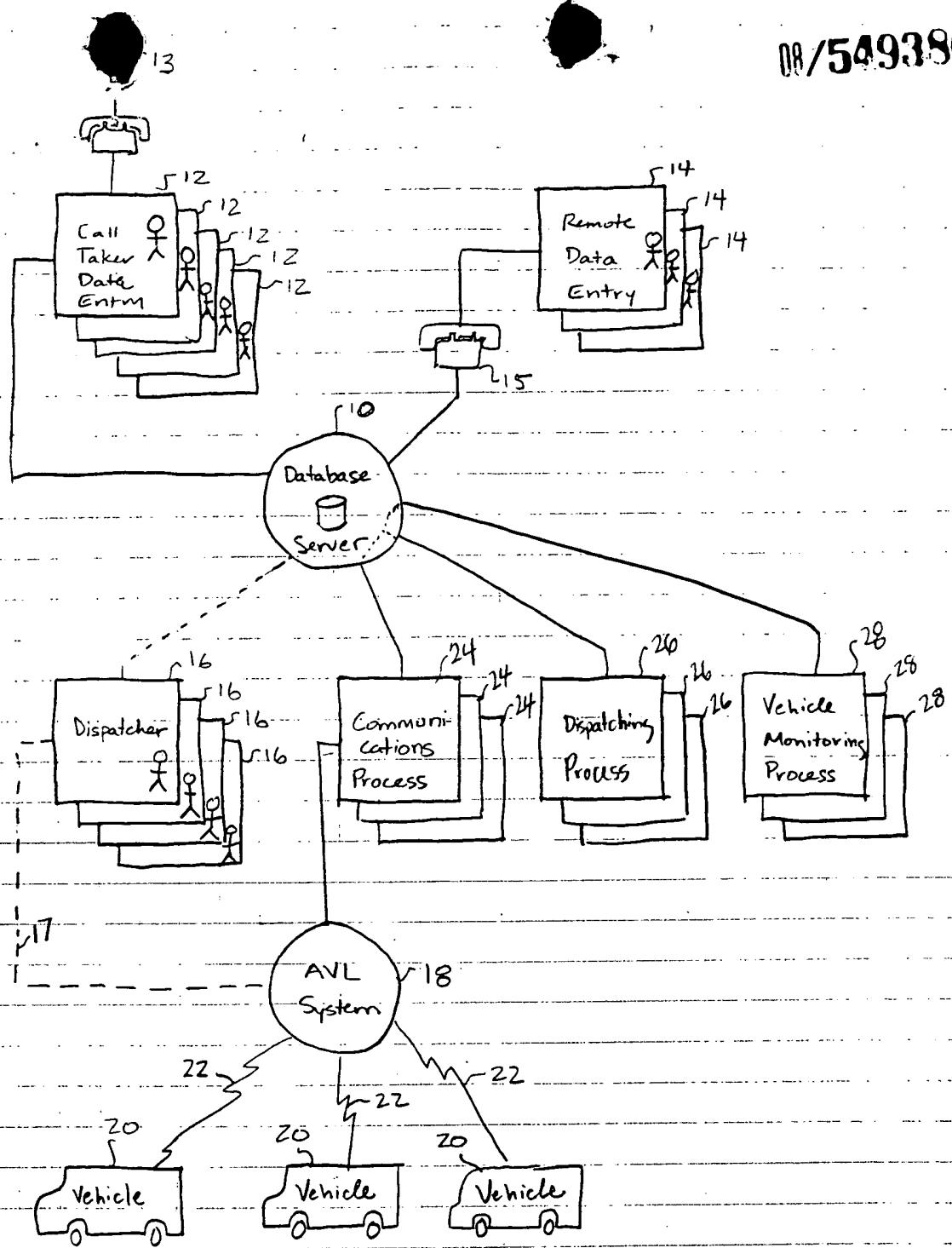


Fig. 1

Dispatch File
Record
Record
⋮

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Exception File
Record
Record
⋮

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Invoice File
Record
Record
⋮

~34

Outbound Vehicle File
Record
⋮

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Employee File
Record
Record
⋮

~38

Employee Pager File
Record
⋮

~40

Pager Service File
Record
Record
⋮

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Automated Dispatch Requests File
Record
Record
⋮

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Automated Dispatch Responses File
Record
Record
⋮

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Automated Dispatch Setup File
Record
Record
⋮

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Status Limit File
Record
Record
⋮

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Fig. 2

Dispatch File

- 1Transport ID Number
- 2Status Flag (= " ", "D", "C", or "F")
- 3Date of Service
- 4Appointment Time (= <time> or "ASAP")
- 5Lead Time
- 6Transport Type (Wheelchair/Basic/AdvancedLifeSupport)
- 7Vehicle ID Number
- 8Driver Employee Number
- 9Attendant Employee Number
- 10Pickup Location
- 11Pickup Latitude
- 12Pickup Longitude
- 13Destination Location
- 14Destination Latitude
- 15Destination Longitude
- 16Time of Call
- 17Time Crew Notified
- 18Time Crew Dispatched
- 19Time Crew En Route to Pickup (Scene)
- 20Time Crew Arrived at Pickup (Scene)
- 21Time Crew En Route to Destination
- 22Time Crew Arrived at Destination
- 23Time Crew Reported as Available
- 24Reason for transport 1
- 25Reason for transport 2
- 26Reason for transport 3
- 27Reason for transport 4
- 28Patient ID number
- 29Name of caller
- 30Contract number
- 31Base rate codes
- 32Mileage rate codes
- 33Extra services rate codes
- 34Billing address codes

Fig. 3A

Invoice File

- 1 Transport ID Number
- 2 Date of Service
- 3 Vehicle ID Number
- 4 Driver Employee Number
- 5 Attendant Employee Number
- 6 Pickup Location
- 7 Destination Location
- 8 Time of Call
- 9 Time Crew Notified
- 10 Time Crew Dispatched
- 11 Time Crew En Route to Pickup (Scene)
- 12 Time Crew Arrived at Pickup (Scene)
- 13 Time Crew En Route to Destination
- 14 Time Crew Arrived at Destination
- 15 Time Crew Reported as Available
- 16 Reason for transport 1
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- 20 Patient ID number
- 21 Name of caller
- 22 Contract number
- 23 Base rate codes
- 24 Mileage rate codes
- 25 Extra services rate codes
- 26 Billing address codes

Fig. 3B

Outbound Vehicle File

- 1 Vehicle ID Number
- 2 Transport ID Number

Fig. 3C

Employee File

- 1 Employee ID Number
- 2 Employee Name

Fig. 3D

Employee Pager File

- 1Employee ID Number
- 2Pager Service Code Number
- 3Pager PIN Number
- 4Pager Phone Number
- 5Text or Alpha ("T" or "A")

Fig. 3E

Pager Service File

- 1Pager Service Code Number
- 2Pager Service Modem Number
- 3Pager Modem Login ID
- 4Pager Modem Password
- 5Pager Modem Baud Rate
- 6Pager Modem Word Length
- 7Pager Modem Stop Bits
- 8Pager Modem Script Name

Fig. 3F

Automated Dispatch Requests File

- Message Packet Key Code
- Terminal ID Number
- Transport ID Number
- Unique Sequence Number (000)
- Message Body

Fig. 3G

Automated Dispatch Responses File

- Message Packet Key Code
- Terminal ID Number
- Transport ID Number
- Unique Sequence Number (000)
- Message Body

Fig. 3H

Automated Dispatch Setup File

- 1 Company Code
- 2 Dispatch Advance Action Setting (minutes)
- 3 Monitor Status Late Activity ("Yes"/"No")
- 4 AVL Port Operating System Name
- 5 AVL Port Lock File Name

Fig. 3I

Exception File

- 1 Transport ID Number
- 2 Exception code

Fig. 3J

Status Limit File

- 1 Company Code
- 2 Notified limit (minutes)
- 3 Dispatched limit (minutes)
- 4 En Route to Pickup limit (minutes)
- 5 Arrived limit (minutes)
- 6 En Route to Destination limit (minutes)
- 7 At Destination Limit (minutes)
- 8 ASAP Limit (minutes)

Fig. 3K

From CAD**record code = 01****record ID = transport number + terminal number + sequence (000)****transport / vehicle type (als / bts / w/c)****pick up address****pick up city****pick up state****pick up zip code****quantity of vehicle to return from search****CRC**

Fig. 3K-1

From AVL**record code = 02****record ID = transport number + terminal number + sequence (000)****vehicle string (sorted closest to farthest away from address)****CRC**

Fig. 3K-2

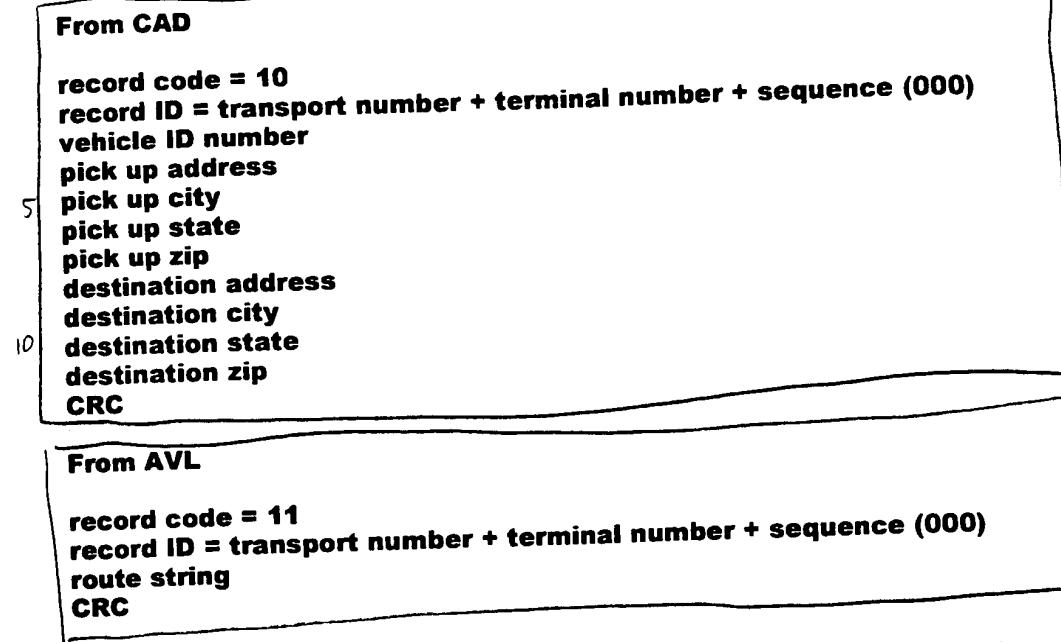


Fig. 3L-1

Fig. 3L-2

From CAD

record code = 30
record ID = transport number + terminal number + sequence (000)
vehicle ID number
transport number
5 date of service
appointment time
transport type
patient name
patient phone number
10 pick up street address
pick up city
pick up state
pick up zip code
destination street address
15 destination city
destination state
destination zip code
reason for transport 1
reason for transport 2
20 reason for transport 3
reason for transport 4
time of call
notified
dispatched
25 in route
arrive pick up
in route
arrive destination
available
30 route message
CRC

Fig.
3M-1**From AVL**

record code = 31
record ID = transport number + terminal number + sequence (000)
CRC

Fig.
3M-2

From CAD**record code = 70****record ID = transport number + terminal number + sequence (000)****transport number****vehicle number****pickup street address****pickup city****pickup state****pickup zip code****destination street address****destination city****destination state****destination zip code****CRC**

Fig. 3N-1

From AVL**record code = 71****record ID = transport number + terminal number + sequence (000)****transport number****pickup latitude****pickup longitude****destination latitude****destination longitude****CRC**

Fig. 3N-2

From CAD

record code = 60
record ID = vehicle ID number
vehicle ID number
transport number
transport type
appointment time
transport status code
transport status time
driver employee number
attendant employee number
patient name
pick up address
pick up city
pick up state
pick up zip code
destination address
destination city
destination state
destination zip code
CRC

Fig. 30-1

From AVL

record code = 61
record ID = vehicle number
CRC

Fig. 30-2

From AVL

record code = 50 1P
record ID = vehicle number
CRC

Fig. 3P-1

From CAD

record code = 51
record ID = vehicle ID number
vehicle ID number
transport number
transport type
appointment time
transport status code
transport status time
driver employee number
attendant employee number
patient name
pick up address
pick up city
pick up state
pick up zip code
destination address
destination city
destination state
destination zip code
CRC

Fig. 3P-2

From AVL**record code = 40****record ID = transport number + vehicle ID number + sequence (000)****vehicle ID number****transport number**5 **date of service****appointment time****transport type****patient name****patient phone number**10 **pick up street address****pick up city****pick up state****pick up zip code****destination street address**15 **destination city****destination state****destination zip code****reason for transport 1****reason for transport 2**20 **reason for transport 3****reason for transport 4****time of call****notified****dispatched**25 **in route****arrive pick up****in route****arrive destination****available****CRC**

Fig. 3Q-1

From CAD**record code = 41****record ID = transport number + vehicle ID number + sequence (000)****vehicle ID number****CRC**

Fig. 3Q-2

From AVL

record code = 20
record ID = transport number + vehicle number
status level (1 - 8 from mobile data terminal switch device)
CRC

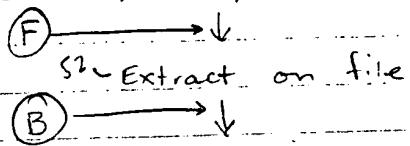
Fig. 3R-1

From CAD

record code = 21
record ID = transport number + vehicle number
status level (1 - 8 returned for acknowledgment)
CRC

Fig. 3R-2

50 ~ Open Dispatch File



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Fig. 4A

52 ~ Extract on file

54.5 Get dispatch record (Fig. 3A)

56 ~ EOF? Yes → F

58 ~ Is record idled in exception file? Yes → B

59 ~ Is record status = prescheduled? No → B

62 ~ Is record from current company? No → B

64 ~ Is record ASAP, or is <current time> - <appointment time> less than or equal to the <lead time> + <advance action time>? No → B

↓ Yes Request N closest

66 ~ Vehicles from AVL

which can handle job.
(Fig. 3K-1)

68 ~ Obtain the AVL response (Fig. 3K-2)

↓ Scan vehicles

70 ~ identified by AVL None found → A
to locate an available vehicle

↓ Found

Update dispatch record

enter vehicle and crew;

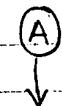
72 ~ change status to "D"; store time; update offboard vehicle file

74 ~ Create pager data

Initialize page counter

→ C

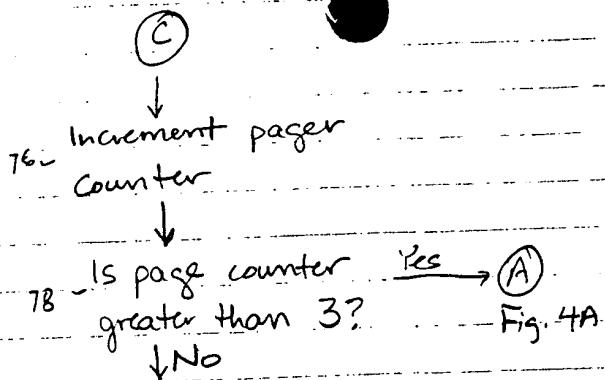
Fig. 4B



80 ~ to exception file (Fig. 3J) with reason code

↓ B

Fig. 4A



Reference employee pager file (Fig. 3E)
80 ~ and pager service file (Fig. 3F) to send page

82 ~ Page sent OK?
 Yes → (C)
 No → Fig. 4B

84 ~ Initialize route counter
 (D) → ↓

86 ~ Increment route counter

88 ~ Is route counter greater than 3?
 Yes → (A)
 No → Fig. 4A

Request route from
90 ~ AVL for selected

vehicle to destination, and wait.
 ↓ (Fig. 3L-1)

92 ~ Route received?
 Yes → (Fig. 3L-2)
 No → (D)
 ↓ Fig. 4B

Create vehicle MDT

94 ~ message with
patient data, directions
route, other info.
 ↓ (Fig. 3M-1)

96 ~ Initialize MDT counter

(E) → ↓

98 ~ Increment MDT counter

Fig. 4B

100 ~ Is MDT counter greater than 3?
 Yes → (A)
 No → Fig. 4A

102 ~ Send AVL request
for MDT message
to vehicle (Fig. 3M-1)

104 ~ MDT confirmation received?
 No → (E)
 Yes → Fig. 4B

106 ~ Store dispatch time.
Request Lat./Long.
of vehicle from
AVL (Fig. 3N-1)

(B) → ↓

Fig. 4A

120 ~ Open Dispatch File

(C) →

122 ~ Extract on file

(B) →

Get dispatch

124 ~ record (Fig. 3A)

↓

126 ~ EOF?

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Fig. 5

Fig. 5

128 ~ Is record listed in exception file?

Yes → (B)

↓ No Fig. 5

130 ~ Is record status = dispatched?

No Fig. 5

↓ Yes

132 ~ Is record from current company?

No → (B)

↓ Yes

134 ~ Has vehicle reported as arrived?

↓ No

136 ~ Is this an appointment

ASAP DT ASAP record?

↓ p-138

Compare <current time>

minus <time of call>

to <ASAP limit> to

determine whether

vehicle is late

VehicleNot late

Appointment

Compare <appointment time>

and <current time>

to determine whether

vehicle is late.

Vehicle Late
Vehicle Not late

140 ~ Status late monitoring enabled for company?

↓ Yes

Compare limit

setting for current

status to

Vehicle Late

↓ Fig. 5

142 ~ (current time) - <status time> to vehicle

determine whether Not Late

Vehicle is late.

(A) ↓

Write record

160 ~ to exception file (Fig. 3J)

with reason code

(B) ↓

Fig. 5

Has vehicle reported as available?

↓ 144 Yes

Mark record as

finished and write

146 ~ to dispatch file Delete Record from outbound vehicle file

↓ Create invoice record

147 ~ (Fig. 3B) from dispatch

record and write

148 ~ to invoice file

150 ~ Notify AVL of

new vehicle

status (Fig. 30-1)

(B) ↓

Fig. 5

Open AUL port.

170 ~ Responses and Requests File

(A) → ↓

Read Record from

172 ~ Requests File

↓

174 ~ End of File? YES → (B)

(E) → NO ↓ Fig. 6B

Write Record

176 ~ to AUL port

↓

178 ~ Set Counter = 0

↓

180 ~ Acknowledgement YES → Received? Delete record

from requests file

→ (B) Fig. 6B

↓ NO

Counter =

182 ~ Counter + 1

↓

NO Counter > 2? ~ 184

↓ YES

186 ~ Format Exception Record

↓

188 ~ Write Exception Record

↓

(B)

Fig. 6B

Fig. 6A

(B)

Attempt to
Read Record

190 ~ From AVL Port

192 ~ Time Out? YES → (A) Fig. 6A

198

194 ~ Request for YES → Get Dispatch → Format AVL
Status Info? Record → Output Record
(Fig. 3P-1) 196 (Fig. 3P-2)

↓ NO

Received MDT YES → Read Dispatch → Update → write → Format Ack. to
197 ~ Information? Record Fields Record AVL (Fig. 3Q-2)
(Fig. 3Q-1) 199 200 202 204

↓ NO

Received Update YES → Read Dispatch → Update → Write → Format Ack. to
206 ~ of Status Record Status Record AVL (Fig 3R-2)
Information? 208 210 212 214
(Fig. 3R-1)

↓ NO

Returned AVL YES → Read Dispatch → Update → Write → (A)
216 ~ Lat. / Long.? Record L/L Field Record Fig. 6A
(Fig 3N-2) 218 220 222

↓ NO

Write Record
224 ~ to Responses
File

↓

(A)

Fig. 6A

Fig. 6B